Educational Enterprise Planned at Big Stone Gap by Dr. John Hale Larry.

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Institution Where Young People Can "Earn to Learn and Learn to Earn."

Many of the readers of the Picayune have heard more or less of the successful work of Dr. John Hale Larry, in connec-tion with the Lincoln Memorial Univertion with the Lincoln Memorial University, at Cumberland Gap, Tenn. Dr. Larry resigned his position there last year and thought of retiring from the arduous work connected with industrial school work, and it was then feared that the mountain section would lose his valuable experience. He has been induced by several Virginians of note to develop a work embodying his unique ideas and methods at Big Stone Gap, Va.

develop a work embodying his unique ideas and methods at Big Stone Gap, 'Va. He has coined a phrase that lets one into his idea very quickly: "A school where young people can earn to learn and learn to earn." A charter is now being framed which will create a directory of two boards, one for the industries and the other for the school work. The former will issue stock and run its industries with the expectation of making a dividend, None but profitable work will be attempted. Student labor will have the proference and be run in five-hour reliefs. The ten-hour day will prevail. The relief which works one-half a day will recite the other half, and vice versa. As the student works manually but five hours, he will be trained to steady and ancurate movement. He will be paid and will settle with others in checks and will be expected to have a bank account, no matter how small. The salaries of instructors will be paid a part in cush and the balance in stock, so that they will be stimulated to do overything in a business-like way. This will take away the charity idea that is connected with so many schools and will overlop manly independence, the dignity of labor and will cultivate habits of care and thrift. It will also develop the quick and earnest spirit which is so needed in modern undertakings.

The school will thus be real life. Hard work and the entry into business will not phase the youth. It will be more like changing employers. The class work will be of a practical kind at first, such as will fit one for the active duties of life, but there will be no attempt to limit attainments. The work is expected to have an unlimited growth.

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Those who have ever seen Big Stone Gap, Va., will at once recognize that no hetter spot could be found in the Southern mountain section. It is far enough away from any other school of its kind to be considered non-competitive. In the January Harper's Monthly, 1889, Charles Dudley Warner gives the following description:

"That morning ride I shall not forget. We crossed and followed Powell River, All along the banks are set the most remarkable beach trees I have ever seen-great, widespreading, clean-boled trees, overshading the stream and giving under their boughs nearly all the way ravishingly lovely views. This was the paradisalcal way to Big Stone Gap, which we found to be a round, broken valley, shut in by wooded mountains, covered more or less with fine trees, the meeting place of the Powell River, which comes through the gap and its south fork. In the round elevation between them is the inviting place of the fortune city. It is a country of great beauty, noble mountain ranges, with valleys, diversified by small hills, fertile intervals, line streams and a splendld forest growth. It was the warmest time of the year when we were there, but the air was fresh and full of vitality. "A few miles south of the city a powerful stream of clear water falls over precipices and rocks 700 feet in continuous rapids. This is not only a charming addition to the scenle attractions of the region, but the stream will supply the town with excellent water and unlimited power. Beyond, ten miles to the northeast, rises High Knob, a very sightly point, where one gets the sort of view of four States that he sees on an atlast It is, indeed, a delightful region, but the stream will supply the town with excellent water and unlimited power. Beyond, ten miles to the northeast, rises High Knob, a very sightly point, where one gets the sort of view of four States that he sees on an atlast It is, indeed, a delightful region, but the stream will supply the town with e

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the road and illuminated the cool recesses of the forest. The time for the blooming of the aziea and the kalmia (mountain laurel) was past, but the pink and while rhododendron was in full glory, masses of boom, not small stalks, lurking like underbrush, but on bushes attaining the dignity of trees, and at least twenty-five feet high. I have thus sketched hastily some of the capacities of the Cumberiani region. It is my belief that this central and hitherto neclected portion of the United States will soon become the theatre of vast and controlling industries.

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But more than for its beautiful scencry, healthfulness and proximity to natural resources, Dr. Larry has been attracted there by the fact that it is the law and order city of the Cumberlands. Years ago the citizens, an enterprising class that had been drawn there by the hopeful location, detormined that the place must be a safe and quiet one.

Many have probably read John Fox's article on how the "bad" element was climinated. The work for civic morals was a thorough one, how thorough may be inferred from the fact that a circus was the ret this fall and was attended by more than 7,000 mountaineers, and there was not an arrest nor a disorderly occurrence. The manager took off his hat to the town authorities when leaving, and declared he had never seen anything like it in his traveling experience.

There are about 500 school children, and stranger cannet but notice their good

be looked on in this section as an innovation, perhaps, but it would result in developing a respect for labor that is saily wanting in mmny places. A family hotel at such an elevation, and with such charming scenery and life-giving waters would attract those of the extreme South in the summer and bring visitors from the North in winter. While Dr. Larry, the president of the new school is a Northerner, he knows the South and the South knows him. He belongs to a family of teachers. His uncle, James Larry, who taught near Richmond, Va. for forty years, had the early training of General Robert E. Lee. He believes in giving the mountain youth opportunity, rather than charity. Associated with him as treasurer and local director is General Rufus A. Ayers, well known to all the central South as a fine specimen of Virginia culture and enterprise. His one of the most beautiful structures in the mountains. It is built largely of the chocolate-colored native stone that abounds in the gap, and within it is finished in oak panel work.

The unrestrained hospitality of this home marks General and Mrs. Ayers as "to the manor born." The union of Southished in oak panel work.

The unrestrained host lity of this home marks General and Mrs. Ayers as "to the manor born." The union of Southern and Northern virtues in their border mountain land presages a life of earnestness and thrift, toned down to a normal plane by generosity, gallantry and hospitality.—New Orleans Pleayune.

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American Nut Journal.

The creditable work that is being done y William N. Roper, editor "American distance only a dent in the green foliage, surprised us by its wild beauty. The strony road, rising little by little above the stony road, rising little by little above the river, runs through a magnificent forest, gigantic trees growing in the midst of enormous bowlders and towering among the rocks, that take the form of walls and buttresses, square structures like Titanic ruins of castles; below, the river full and strong, rages over rocks and dashes down, filling the forest with its roar, which is echoed by the towering cliffs on other side.

"The woods were fresh and glistening from senti-surprise definal charm of the way was the bloom of the rhododendron, which blazed along; it was planned to have a beautiful hotel built here on the root with its roar, which is echoed by the towering cliffs on other side.

"The woods were fresh and glistening from senti-surprise the idea is revived. The young men could final charm of the way was the bloom of the road of the work in hand, and because it should be read by all classes of journal-its and slow of the walting, The idea of color the knowledge it contains.

WINTER ECZEMA

Gentlemen:—I suffered with Eczema on the hands and face for over a year. It was not only annoying and painful, but very unsightly, and I disliked to go out in the streets. I tried at least a dozen soaps and salves, which did me absolutely no good, and became very much discouraged, until I read in the papers of the cures performed through the use of S. S., and determined to give it a month's trial at least. I am pleased to state that I soon noticed a slight improvement, sufficient to decide me to keep it up. After the use of six bottles my skin was as soft and smooth as an infant's. This was a year ago, and I have never had any trouble since.

MISS GENEVA BRIGGS.

216 S. Seventh Street, Minneapolis, Minn.

I tried doctor's medicines, salves, washes and all kinds of local applications, treating Eczema of long standing, but with only temporary relief. The itching and burning from Eczema was more than I can describe. Many nights I was unable to sleep on account of the awful itching. Seeing S. S. S. advertised I began its use, and after taking it for some time the dry eczematous eruptions disappeared and I was entirely relieved of this awful itching and burning. It is a boon to Eczema sufferers and I can conscientiously recommend it to them, believing confidently that a permanent cure will be effected in all such cases where it is taken according to directions.

Urbana, Ohio. R. F. D. No. I. C. Otto. Urbana, Ohio. R. F. D. No. 1.

All skin diseases have their seasons; some are active in the summer, while others lie dormant until cold weather, when the first breath of winter brings them to life and they remain to torment us until spring. Through the long hot months Winter Eczema sleeps in the system, and when cold weather begins it breaks out. The head, hands and feet are the parts usually attacked, but other parts of the body may be affected by this "flesh fire." The skin becomes feverish, hard and dry, cracks open and often bleeds, and the itching is terrible. While the trouble shows on the skin the cause is far deeper. This cruption is but nature's way of telling that the fountain of all health—the blood—is diseased and must have relief. It is filled with uric acid and other poisons which are forced through the pores, causing the natural oils, which should keep the skin soft and pliable, to dry up. These acids are constantly forming in the system to be absorbed by the blood, and thus the trouble is kept up. The treatment of this disease with local applications, such as washes, salves, powders, etc., is useless in effecting a cure, because they cannot get to the seat or beginning of the trouble. The best they can do is to give the patient relief for a little while. The blood must be cleansed of all acids and poisons and the system toned and built up before a cure can be had. S. S. S. cures by going into the blood, searching out all foreign matter, and making it strong and healthy again. S. S. S. is a purely vegetable remedy, and therefore cures this disease safely as well as surely, and from a condition of torture the patient is brought to one of healthful pleasure. Book on Skin Diseases mailed free, and our physicians will give advice, without charge, to all sufferers.

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Unprecedented High Prices for Rappahannock Oysters.

SMALLPOX

QUARANTINE

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) COMORN, VA., Jan. 14.—The people of King Georgo and other sections of the Northern Neck are beginning to manifest a pretty lively interest in State politics. The coming gubernatorial contest is a subject of interesting discussion wherever several public-spirited citizens happen to meet, and it requires no prophet to fore-tell that "gubernatorial timber" and the selection of a Democratic candidate will be a favorite topic of talk for some time to come. The names of Lieutenant-Governor Willard, Judge Mann, and Congressman Swanson have been household words in some quarters for several days past. All three of these distinguished gentlemen have good, strong friends overhere in the "Nock." Mr. Willard is cortainly a favorite been so far, and gentemen have good, stong thems, we here in the "Nock." Mr. Willard is cortainly a favorite here, so far, and it can't be denied that he is making new friends and gaining strength every day. The Lieutenant-Governor has been popular over here for a long time, and his visit to King George and public address at the Courthouse during the campalgulast fall added vastly to his popularity—a popularity that is not confined to any one class of the people.

TOP NOTCH OYSTERS.

Reports from the lower Rappahannock are that cysters have commanded higher prices this season than at any former time. As high as \$5 cents per bushel in

time. As high as 85 cents per bushel in the shell has been paid by large vessel-loads. The unprecedented prices are said to be due to the scarcity of oysters all along the lower Rappahannock. The same conditions prevail on the Potomac and its tributaries. Some oystermen are of the opinion that the days of the oyster industry in some sections are numbered, and that the time for making good money by catching oysters in these Virginia waters has passed.

waters has passed.

The family of Mr. Frank C. Fitzhugh at "Bedford," this county, was put under quarantine some days ago, not because of any symptom of smallpox in the family

fore will not leave King George.
Miss Jeanette Sievens, of Igo, this county, has gone to Washington

while again some families have femiliated here all the winter. With bright weather, out-door exercise is very attractive and pleasant The St. Louis Exposition awarded a first premium to the Mecklenburg Chioride Calcium and Lithia waters.

Mr. M. L. T. Buyls, of Norfolk, and his daughter. Mrs. W. T. Hughes and children of Louisburg N. C., are here this week and among late arrivals are as follows: O. P. Larrell, Kingston, N. C., W. W. Nicholson, Philla, Pa.; W. H. Pender, W. W. Stratter, Patorson, N. J.; S. B. Fisher, Baltimore, Md.; Miss Biship and maid, Swaimpscott, Mass.; O. D. Blake, Ky.; I. Myers, Waldron, Mich.; C. B. Brinsen, Middleburg, Pa.; Mr. and Mrs. Newton Dunn, Phila, Pa.; W. A. Barrett, R. P. Almond, C. J. Miller Richmond, Va.; I. B. Rawling, Baltimore, Md.

Entertainment in Brunswick.

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COCHITAN, VA., Jan. 14.—The Cochran
Social Club, composed of Messrs. W. A.
Clarke, E. C. Johnson, W. C. Harman, and H. B. Abernathy, gave their first social dance here Wednosday evening, January H. Notwithstanding the threatening weather, there was a large crowd present. The chaperones were Mrs. J.
Sydney Moore, Mrs. L. H. Abernathy, and Mrs. Earnest N. Johnson. Among those attending from a distance were Mr. Jno. Dugsor and sister, Miss Fanny, of Grandy, Va.; Misses Bessle and Hattle Willams, Barrows Store, Va.; Messrs. Harry and Ben Elmore and sister, Miss Mollle, from Tobacco, Va.1 Miss Molle, from Tobacco, Va.1 Miss Molle Saunders, of South Gaston, N. C.; Mr. Jno. Thompson and sister, of Lunenburg county; Miss Malone, from Grandy, Va.; Mr. R. Coleman, agent S. A. L. Rallway, Grandy, Va.; Mr. J. Y. Gale, of Petersburg, Va.; Mr. Jas, Steed and sister, Miss Ella; and Mr. Wesley Abernathy, of Walthall Store, Va. Those who did not dance were entertained with eards and flinch and all report an enjoyable time. The Cochran Social Club has recently been organized and will shortly give another ball here.

Now Work on the Sultan.

Now Work on the Sultan.

The Fitzhugh Home Under Suspicion Because of a Trained Nurse Who Was Exposed.

quarantine some days ago, not because of any symptom of smallpox in the family, as some have erroneously believed, but because it was discovered that a young lady trained nurse visiting the Fitzhugh home had unawares reomed with another young lady in Baltimore who had been exposed to smallpox. There is not, and has not been for some years, a case of smallpox anywhere in King George.

The people of King George and Westmoreland are very much inconvenienced and somewhat handleapped by the withdrawal of the steamer Wakefield from the Potomac river for the winter months. The steamer, Harry Randall, is the only boat now plying between Washington and lower Westmoreland; and the fact that this one steamer is running a night schedule, except a day trip down on Saturdays and up on Sundays, gives this vast section of country an extremely poor and unsatisfactory, service.

Mr. Ben, J. Newton, a popular young man of this neighborhood, who recently sold his effects and settled up his affairs for the purpose of engaging in business in Baltimore, has accepted a position in the big mercantile establishment of Mr. J. T. Minor at this place, and therefore will not leave King George.

Miss Jeanette Stevens, of 1go, this

side. Mr. Bon King, who has been on a visit to relatives here, has returned to his home in Washington.

The contract for carrying the mails from Berthaville, this county to Fredericksburg, has been awarded to Mr. Andrew C. Burchell of Osso, near here. The contract pay is \$7.55 for a service of more than twenty-five miles and back every day except Sunday.

AT THE MECKLENBURG.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
CHASE CITY, VA., Jan. 14.—The Meck
lenburg enjoys a transfent patronage of
business people, who delight to linger
here long on their trip, and not without profits. The sportsmen, as usual, are here in force, and some have been here for weeks and some for months. As a middle ground resort for travellers going south and returning home it is popular.

The Hon. Richmond Pearson, the Tar Heel minister of the United States to Persia, has made a ten-strike. He has collected from the Shah's government a sum as indemnity for the killing of an American citizen far above the figures demanded by the deceased's widow. Mr. Pearson should be immediately transferred to the Constantinople mission so he could try his hand on the Sullan of Turkey.—Wilmington Messeases.

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98c, Gowns, #1.50 for \$1.89
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